

# Public Private Partnership Meeting

July 13, 2023

Welcome!

# Call to Order the Public Private Partnership (PPP)

Jenifer Jarriel

# Introductions

PPP Co-Chairs - Jenifer Jarriel, Erica Bañuelos

# Approve May 2023 PPP Minutes

Jenifer Jarriel

# OCBCT Updates

Office of Community-Based Care Transition

Single  
Source  
Continuum  
Contractors  
(SSCCs)  
Updates

- Saint Francis Community Services
- 2INgage
- Our Community Our Kids
- Empower
- 4Kids4Families
- Texas Family Care Network
- Belong

# DFPS Updates

Erica Banuelos,  
Jason Steele

- Legislative Session Overview
- Key bills impacting DFPS

# SSCC Performance Measure Updates

Kelsey Lammons and Judy Pavone



**TEXAS**  
Department of Family  
and Protective Services



# CBC Performance Measure Updates

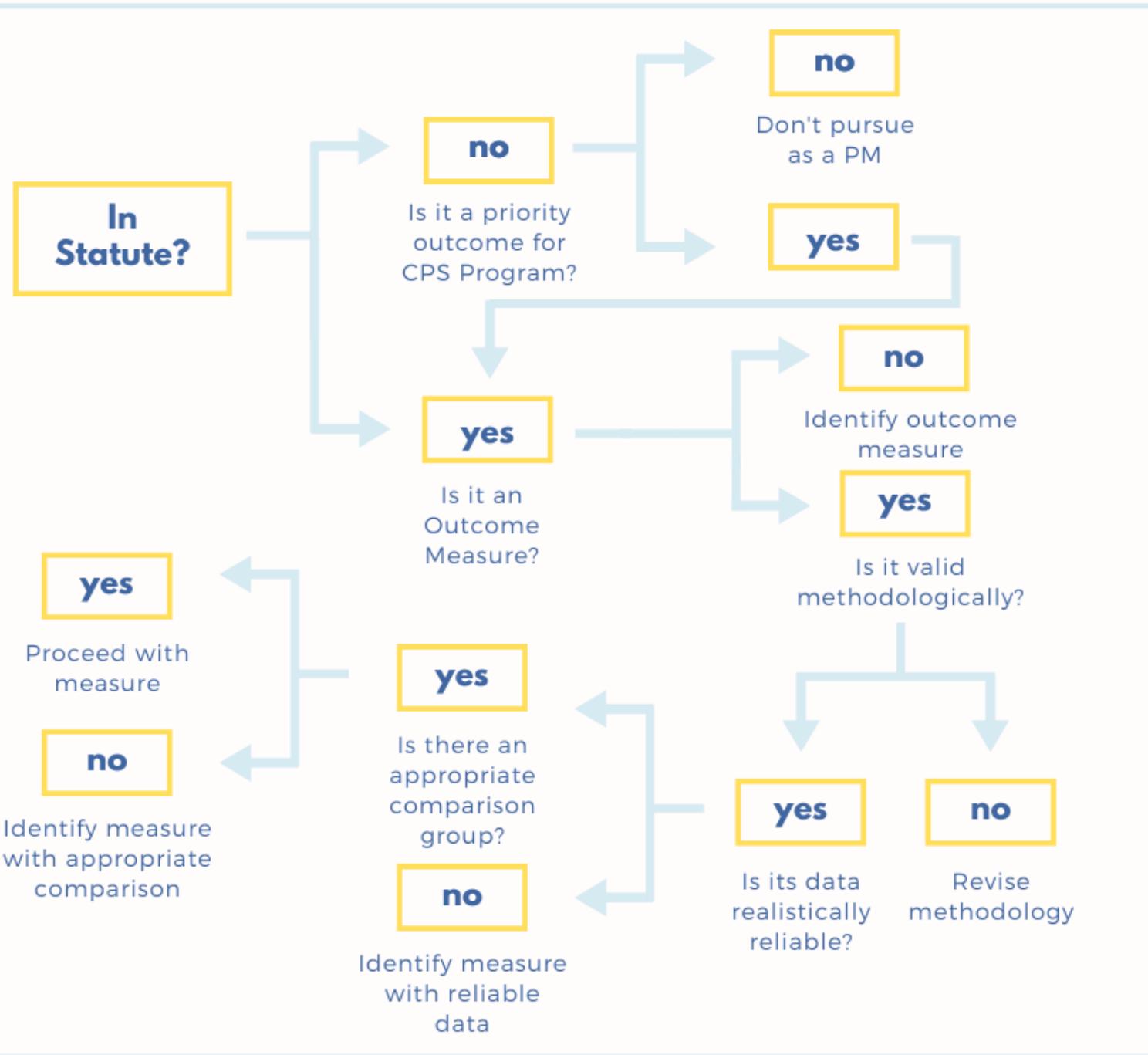
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## **Measure Updates Approved by the Commissioner June 2023**

*Child Protective Services, Residential Childcare Contracts, Office of Community Based Care, and the Office of Data & Systems Improvement*

# Update Overview

- Community-based Care has changed considerably since Foster Care Redesign; however, measures have largely stayed the same
- Over the years, the SSCCs have provided feedback on the performance measures
  - Some measures methodologically could be improved
  - Some measures didn't speak to the "real work" being done on the ground
  - Some measures simply were not outcomes for child welfare
- SAO Audit noted similar gaps



# Framework for Measures

Reflective of the standards the workgroup held for measure recommendations / which ones to prioritize for adjustment.

*For these reasons, not all measures could be part of the workgroup's scope.*

# Measures Reviewed

## Methodological Adjustments

Proximity

Kin at 60 Days

## “Real Work”

Turnover

Identification /  
Driver’s Licenses

Court Attendance

## Absence of Critical Outcomes

Time to Permanency

New CPS Intervention  
after Permanency

Exits to Permanency

# Measure Recommendations

Measure	Recommendation
Proximity	Keep the same
Kin at 60 Days	Keep current methodology but change the timeframe of analysis to allow for reporting at the end of the quarter, instead of 60 days after quarter's end
Turnover	Remove as performance measure but continue to report to DFPS as part of Exhibit G
Court Attendance	Remove altogether
ID/Driver's License	Keep current methodology. Change data source to pull from Child Plan of Service in IMPACT
Exits to Permanency – Reunification, PMC to Relative, Adoption	Add this new measure with methodology modeled after Legislative Budget Board (LBB) Measures
New CPS Intervention after Permanency	Add this new measure with methodology modeled after LBB Measures
Time to Permanency	Add this new measure with methodology modeled after the Child and Family Service Review (CFSR) Measures (Federal)

# Specific Measures to be Used

Measure	Methodology	Source	Why
Kin at 60 Days	Numerator: The numerator will be the number of children from the denominator who have a placement in a Kinship home (Verified/Unverified) on the 60th day after removal.	IMPACT	<i>Will allow for more recent timeframe for reporting</i>
	Denominator: The number of children in the SSCC Stage 2 CVS population whose 60th day after removal occurs during the performance period.		
Turnover	N/A – Remove as PM & continue to report to DFPS as part of Exhibit G	N/A	<i>Does not capture outcomes for children</i>
Driver's License / State Identification	Stay the same	IMPACT	<i>Ideal to not use self-reported data in assessing performance</i>
Court Attendance	N/A – Remove altogether	N/A	<i>Courts have different requirements for attendance so difficult to measure compliance</i>

# Specific Measures to be Used

Measure	Methodology	Source	Why
Exits to Permanency – Reunification	Numerator: The total number of children in FPS conservatorship who exited DFPS Legal Responsibility to Reunification during the performance period.	IMPACT	<i>Intended to counter balance Stage III Incentives &amp; Remedies</i>
	Denominator: The total number of children for whom legal resolution was achieved during the reporting period		
Exits to Permanency – PMC to Relative	Numerator: The total number of children in FPS conservatorship who exited DFPS Legal Responsibility with Permanent Managing Conservatorship (PMC) to a relative during the performance period.	IMPACT	<i>Ensures accountability to federal measures and will allow for assessment of impact on federal funding</i>
	Denominator: The total number of children for whom legal resolution was achieved during the reporting period		
Exits to Permanency – Adoption	Numerator: The total number of children in FPS conservatorship who exited DFPS Legal Responsibility to Adoption during the performance period.	IMPACT	<i>Ensures accountability to federal measures and will allow for assessment of impact on federal funding</i>
	Denominator: The total number of children for whom legal resolution was achieved during the reporting period		

# Specific Measures to be Used

Measure	Methodology	Source	Why
New CPS Intervention after Permanency	Numerator: The number of children from the denominator who were confirmed victims in a subsequent child abuse/neglect investigation, in a subsequent stage opened to family preservation, or removed from the home within 12 months of exit to permanency, defined as Reunification, Kinship, or Adoption	IMPACT	<i>Ensures accountability to federal measures and will allow for assessment of impact on federal funding</i>
	Denominator: The number of children (age 0 - 17) who exited substitute care (DFPS' legal responsibility and placed outside of their home of origin) to permanency during the year prior to the performance period.		
Time to Permanency - 1	Numerator: Of the children in the denominator, the number of children who exited to permanency within 12 months of entering care.	IMPACT	<i>Ensures accountability to federal measures and will allow for assessment of impact on federal funding</i>
	Denominator: Children aged 0-17 who entered Substitute Care in the fiscal year prior to the current fiscal year.		
Time to Permanency – 2a	Numerator: Of the children in the denominator, the number of children who exited to permanency during the current fiscal year.	IMPACT	<i>Ensures accountability to federal measures and will allow for assessment of impact on federal funding</i>
	Denominator: Children aged 0-17 who were in Substitute Care on the first day of the current fiscal year and who had been continuously in care between 12 and 23 months at start of current fiscal year.		
Time to Permanency – 2b	Numerator: Of the children in the denominator, the number of children who exited to permanency during the current fiscal year.	IMPACT	<i>Ensures accountability to federal measures and will allow for assessment of impact on federal funding</i>
	Denominator: Children aged 0-17 who were in Substitute Care on the first day of the current fiscal year and who had been continuously in care 24 months or more at start of current fiscal year.		

# Note on Court Attendance

- Court attendance by children and youth is still important and a policy requirement
- Eliminating the performance measure for court attendance is due to inconsistent requirements by court and limitations in DFPS data validation
- If there are concerns with court attendance by children in a jurisdiction, contract action may be taken

# Next Steps

- New Performance Measures will be implemented for FY24 Q1
  - December storyboards covering September-November
- All other performance measures will stay the same
  - Safety, stability, least restrictive, proximity, siblings, & PAL
- Thresholds
  - Required by the State Auditor's Office (SAO)
  - Final internal review of methodology and then will share

# Questions?

# PPP Membership Roundtable Open Discussion

PPP Members and DFPS Staff

Thank you!

We will now transition to the  
PPP and CARP shared agenda

# Call to Order the Committee on Advancing Residential Practices (CARP)

Scott Lundy

# Welcome and Introductions

PPP Co-Chairs and CARP Co-Chairs

# PPP and CARP Logistics

Jenifer Jarriel and Scott Lundy

# Rate Modernization in Legacy and SSCC system

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Texas Department of  
**Family and Protective Services**

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**The Texas Child-Centered Care System (T3C)**  
(formerly known as Foster Care Rate Modernization)

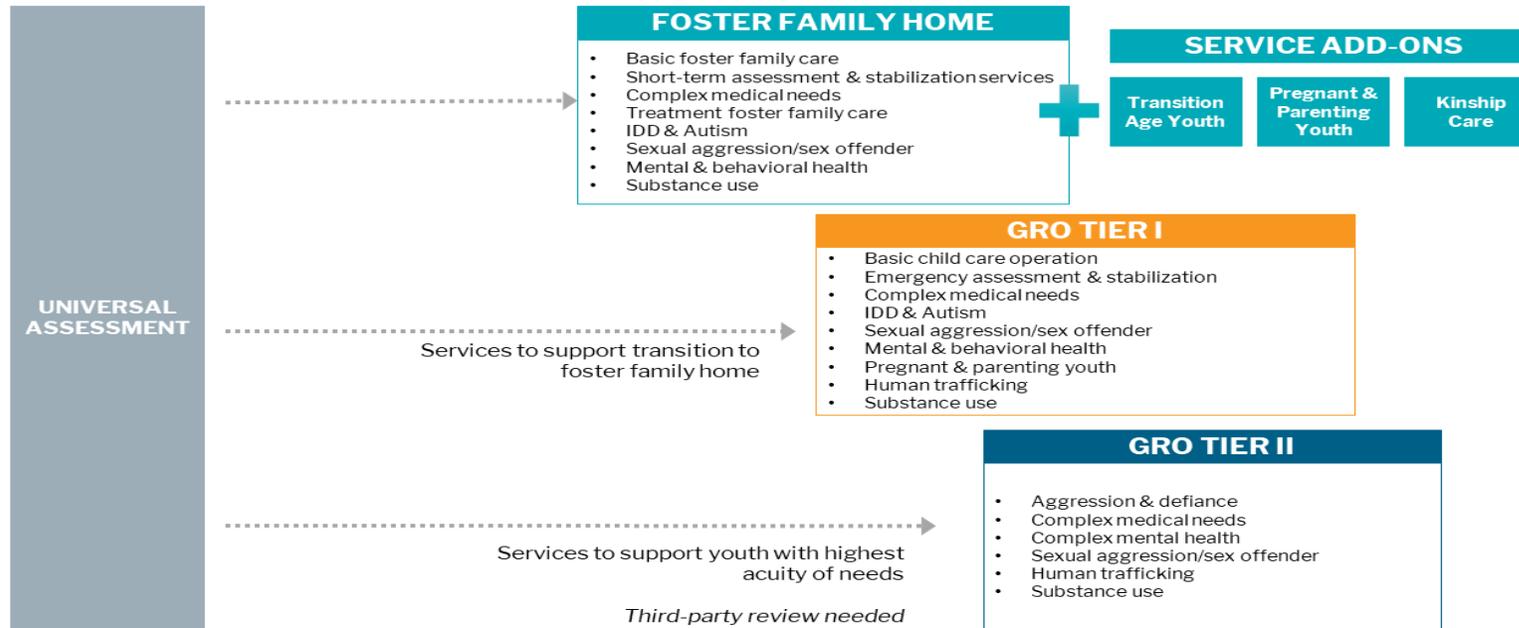
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# A New Day in Foster Care







# T3C Rates Tied To Services: Child Placing Agency

FFH CPA Rate Type	Methodological Rate
Basic Foster Family Home	\$83.29
Short-Term Assessment and Stabilization Services	\$150.40
Complex Medical Needs or Medically Fragile Services	\$187.80
Treatment Foster Family Care Services (TFFC)	\$328.41
Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD)/Autism Support Services	\$219.98
Sexual Aggression / Sex Offender Support Services	\$186.47
Mental and Behavioral Health Support Services	\$169.49
Substance Use Support Services	\$148.14
Human Trafficking Services	\$217.26

FFH CPA Rate Type	Methodological Rate
Add-On: Kinship Care Support Services	\$38.22
Add-On: Transition Support Services for Youth and Young Adults	\$37.40
Add-On: Youth and Young Adults who are Pregnant or Parenting Support Services	\$51.22



# T3C Rates Tied To Services: General Residential Operation- Tier I

GRO Tier I	Methodological Rate
Services for Children, Youth, and Young Adults with IDD/Autism to Support Community Transition	\$429.95
Human Trafficking Services to Support Community Transition	\$456.00
Youth and Young Adults who are Pregnant or Parenting Services to Support Community Transition	\$382.23
Substance Use Services to Support Community Transition	\$389.67
Sexual Aggression/ Sex Offender Treatment Services to Support Community Transition	\$340.56
Mental and Behavioral Health Treatment Services to Support Community Transition	\$467.55

GRO Tier I	Methodological Rate
Basic Child Care Operation	\$270.80
Emergency Stabilization/Assessment Center	\$394.42
Services for Children, Youth, and Young Adults with Complex Medical Needs to Support Community Transition	\$426.20



# T3C Rates Tied To Services: General Residential Operation- Tier II

<b>GRO Tier II</b>	<b>Methodological Rate</b>
<b>Sexual Aggression &amp; Behaviors</b>	\$540.60
<b>Aggression &amp; Defiance</b>	\$574.65
<b>Complex Medical Needs</b>	\$623.53
<b>Complex Mental Health</b>	\$583.33
<b>Substance Use Disorders</b>	\$633.02
<b>Human Trafficking</b>	\$642.02

- T3C is not about rebuilding the legacy system but designing a **new** foster care continuum and rate methodology that supports the success of CBC as it rolls out across the state.
- Similar to other systems like Medicaid Managed Care, because the T3C represents a fundamental shift in service delivery under a new continuum, DFPS will pay SSCCs using a fee-for-service methodology across all service packages, so the SSCC is paid the rate tied to the actual service package being delivered.
- Using this approach, DFPS and HHSC will be able to collect utilization based on actual experience and learn/ make modifications through the Continuous Quality Assurance and Improvement (CQAI) process before moving to a blended rate methodology approximately three-years post implementation.

- The Texas foster care model is built on the Service Level System. Building a new model on the foundation of T3C will require modifying or restructuring systems for DFPS, HHSC, the SSCCs and residential providers. This transformation will also enhance court approvals and processes.
- DFPS and the Legislature funded the following to support implementation:
  - Establishment of a dedicated T3C Project Management Office;
  - Changes to the IT infrastructure in IMPACT and other systems to support accurate collection, tracking, and reporting of data;
  - Development and execution of a new universal assessment tool and placement process;
  - Establishment of an **external** Continuous Quality Assurance and Improvement structure and process; and
  - Funding to support provider grants for the SSCCs and residential child-care providers through transition to a new service delivery model and supporting rate methodology.



# Implementation Costs- FY 2024-25

FY 2024-2025 Biennial Total Across All Categories		
Category	Biennial GR	Biennial All Funds
Project Management Office	\$1,383,971	\$1,494,480
IT Infrastructure, Data Tracking and Reporting Modifications*	\$16,383,153	\$18,429,055
Texas CANS 3.0 Tool Development and Assessment Process to Support T3C**	\$5,558,202	\$5,865,239
Continuous Quality Assurance and Improvement Process	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Provider Grants to Support SSCC and Residential Childcare Transition	\$16,200,000	\$16,200,000
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$40,525,326</b>	<b>\$42,988,774</b>



- The transition to the T3C System is planned to occur in four phases with children served beginning in January 2025 and full transition occurring at the end of FY 2027.

Project Phases and Timeline						
	Fiscal Year 2023	Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026	Fiscal Year 2027	Fiscal Year 2028
<b>Phase 1-</b> Infrastructure & System Readiness		June 2023- December 2024				
<b>Phase 2-</b> Transition of Services & Children			January 2025- August 2027			
<b>Phase 3-</b> Full Implementation						September 2027
<b>Phase 4-</b> Refinement						Ongoing

## **Read the Report!**

Begin to get acclimated with the T3C Model by reading the Rate Modernization Report, found on the DFPS Website or by accessing the following link: [https://www.dfps.texas.gov/About DFPS/Reports and Presentations/CPS/documents/2023/2023-03-06 Foster Care Rate Modernization Pro Forma Modeled Rates and Fiscal Impact.pdf](https://www.dfps.texas.gov/About%20DFPS/Reports%20and%20Presentations/CPS/documents/2023/2023-03-06%20Foster%20Care%20Rate%20Modernization%20Pro%20Forma%20Modeled%20Rates%20and%20Fiscal%20Impact.pdf)

## **Sign Up and Join the T3C agency d-list!**

The DFPS agency website has a page that is dedicated to the T3C project. You can subscribe to the d-list to receive the latest information on the project and updates when new information is available.

## **Begin Strategic Planning!**

T3C is a multi-year project, but before we know it 2025 will be here. Analyze the various service packages inherent in the T3C continuum and determine what packages best suit your current and future business model. Start scoping out the path forward for implementation of T3C within your own agency.



If you have questions or would like to learn more about T3C, please feel free to contact me:

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# CWOP in Legacy and SSCC areas

Scott Lundy

# PPP Meeting Adjourned

Jenifer Jarriel

This concludes the PPP  
Meeting.

CARP Meeting to follow.